

Acronyms and Definitions

ARRA – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

BTOP – Broadband Technology Opportunities Program

Core – Electronics and fiber owned by ICN

H. 323 – A protocol standard for multimedia communications

ICN – Iowa Communications Network

IP – Internet Protocol

IRU – Indefeasible Right of Use, contract, similar to a lease, effectively assigning temporary ownership

ITTC – Iowa Telecommunications and Technology Commission

JFHQ – Joint Forces Headquarters, primary location of the Network

NG911 – Next Generation 9-1-1, upgrades the existing 9-1-1 network to handle text messages, images, and video

NTIA – National Telecommunications and Information Administration

PSAP – Public Safety Answering Point, routes 9-1-1 calls

QoS – Quality of Service, prioritizes traffic on a network

RIT – RFP Implementation Team

RFP – Request for Proposal, the contracting mechanism

ROI – Return on Investment, financial calculation to determine the monetary benefit from investing

SLA – Service Level Agreement, establishes network performance expectations for each service

VSP – Video Service Project